SENATE/HOUSE FILE ______
BY (PROPOSED IOWA PUBLIC INFORMATION BOARD BILL)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the confidentiality of records and
- 2 information compiled for law enforcement purposes and
- 3 creating a law enforcement body camera recordings interim
- 4 workgroup.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

- 1 Section 1. Section 22.7, subsection 5, Code 2018, is amended
- 2 by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu thereof the
- 3 following:
- 4 5. Records or information compiled for law enforcement
- 5 purposes, excluding the date, time, specific location, and
- 6 immediate facts and circumstances surrounding a crime or
- 7 incident, and only to the extent that the production of such
- 8 law enforcement records or information could reasonably be
- 9 expected to do any of the following:
- 10 a. Interfere with enforcement proceedings.
- 11 b. Deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an
- 12 impartial adjudication.
- 13 c. Constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.
- 14 d. Disclose the identity of a confidential source, including
- 15 a state, local, or foreign agency or authority, or private
- 16 institution which furnished information on a confidential
- 17 basis, and, in the case of a record or information compiled
- 18 by a law enforcement agency in the course of a criminal
- 19 investigation or by an agency conducting a lawful national
- 20 security intelligence investigation, information furnished by
- 21 a confidential source.
- 22 e. Disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement
- 23 investigations or prosecution if such disclosure could
- 24 reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law.
- 25 f. Endanger the life or physical safety of any individual.
- 26 Sec. 2. LAW ENFORCEMENT BODY CAMERA RECORDINGS INTERIM
- 27 WORKGROUP.
- 28 1. The Iowa public information board shall convene a
- 29 stakeholder workgroup to meet during the 2018 legislative
- 30 interim to examine issues and develop policy recommendations
- 31 relating to the use, storage, cost, retention, public
- 32 inspection, and confidentiality of law enforcement body
- 33 camera video and audio recordings. The workgroup shall
- 34 comprehensively review and analyze such information and submit
- 35 findings and recommendations including any recommendations for

- 1 proposed legislation from workgroup member organizations and
- 2 from state departments and agencies, including but not limited
- 3 to the department of public safety, the Iowa public information
- 4 board, the office of ombudsman, the Iowa law enforcement
- 5 academy, the judicial branch, the state board of regents, and
- 6 other appropriate organizations.
- 7 2. The workgroup shall consist of eight voting members and
- 8 four ex officio, nonvoting legislative members.
- 9 3. The following eight members appointed by the following
- 10 organizations shall serve as voting members:
- 11 a. The Iowa public information board.
- 12 b. The Iowa freedom of information council.
- 13 c. The Iowa newspaper association.
- 14 d. The department of justice.
- 15 e. The Iowa peace officers association.
- 16 f. The Iowa police chiefs association.
- 17 g. The Iowa coalition against domestic violence.
- 18 h. The department of public safety.
- 19 4. Two members of the senate and two members of the house of
- 20 representatives shall serve as ex officio, nonvoting members
- 21 of the workgroup and shall be appointed by the majority and
- 22 minority leaders of the senate and the speaker and minority
- 23 leader of the house of representatives.
- 24 5. The workgroup may meet up to two times during the
- 25 2018 legislative interim and shall submit findings and
- 26 recommendations including any recommendations for proposed
- 27 legislation in a report to the general assembly by November 1,
- 28 2018.
- 29 6. a. Notwithstanding section 7E.6, workgroup members
- 30 shall not receive reimbursement for actual expenses for
- 31 the performance of their official duties as members of the
- 32 workgroup, but may seek reimbursement for expenses from the
- 33 member's organization.
- 34 b. Notwithstanding section 2.10, legislative members shall
- 35 not receive a per diem and shall not receive reimbursement

1 for necessary travel and actual expenses incurred in the

- 2 performance of their official duties while a member of the
- 3 workgroup.
- 4 c. The Iowa public information board is authorized to
- 5 allocate up to one thousand dollars from the operating budget
- 6 of the board to pay the costs of the workgroup.
- 7 EXPLANATION
- 8 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with 9 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 10 This bill relates to the confidentiality of records and
- 11 information compiled for law enforcement purposes by a law
- 12 enforcement agency and creates a law enforcement body camera
- 13 recordings interim workgroup.
- 14 Under the bill, records or information compiled for law
- 15 enforcement purposes shall not be kept confidential if the
- 16 records and information relate to the date, time, specific
- 17 location, and immediate facts and circumstances surrounding
- 18 a crime or incident. All other law enforcement records and
- 19 information are to be kept confidential under the bill only to
- 20 the extent that the production of such law enforcement records
- 21 or information could reasonably be expected to do any of the
- 22 following: interfere with enforcement proceedings, deprive a
- 23 person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication,
- 24 constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy,
- 25 disclose the identity of a confidential source, disclose
- 26 techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or
- 27 prosecution if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to
- 28 risk circumvention of the law, or endanger the life or physical
- 29 safety of any individual.
- 30 The bill authorizes the Iowa public information board
- 31 to convene a stakeholder workgroup to meet during the 2018
- 32 legislative interim to examine issues and develop policy
- 33 recommendations relating to the use, storage, cost, retention,
- 34 public inspection, and confidentiality of law enforcement
- 35 body camera video and audio recordings. The bill instructs

- 1 the workgroup to comprehensively review and analyze such
- 2 information and submit findings and recommendations including
- 3 any proposed legislation.
- 4 The bill specifies that the workgroup shall consist of eight
- 5 voting members. The eight voting members shall consist of
- 6 representatives of the following organizations or governmental
- 7 agencies: the Iowa public information board, the Iowa freedom
- 8 of information council, the Iowa newspaper association, the
- 9 department of justice, the Iowa peace officers association,
- 10 the Iowa police chiefs association, the Iowa coalition against
- 11 domestic violence, and the department of public safety.
- 12 The bill also specifies that the workgroup shall also
- 13 consist of four ex officio, nonvoting legislative members with
- 14 each member separately appointed by the majority and minority
- 15 leaders in each chamber.
- 16 The bill authorizes the workgroup to meet up to two times
- 17 during the 2018 legislative interim and to submit findings and
- 18 recommendations including any recommendations for proposed
- 19 legislation in a report to the general assembly by November 1,
- 20 2018.
- 21 The bill does not authorize any workgroup (legislative and
- 22 nonlegislative) member to receive reimbursement for actual or
- 23 travel expenses or to receive a per diem.
- 24 The bill authorizes the Iowa public information board to
- 25 allocate up to \$1,000 from the operating budget of the board to
- 26 pay the administrative costs of the workgroup.